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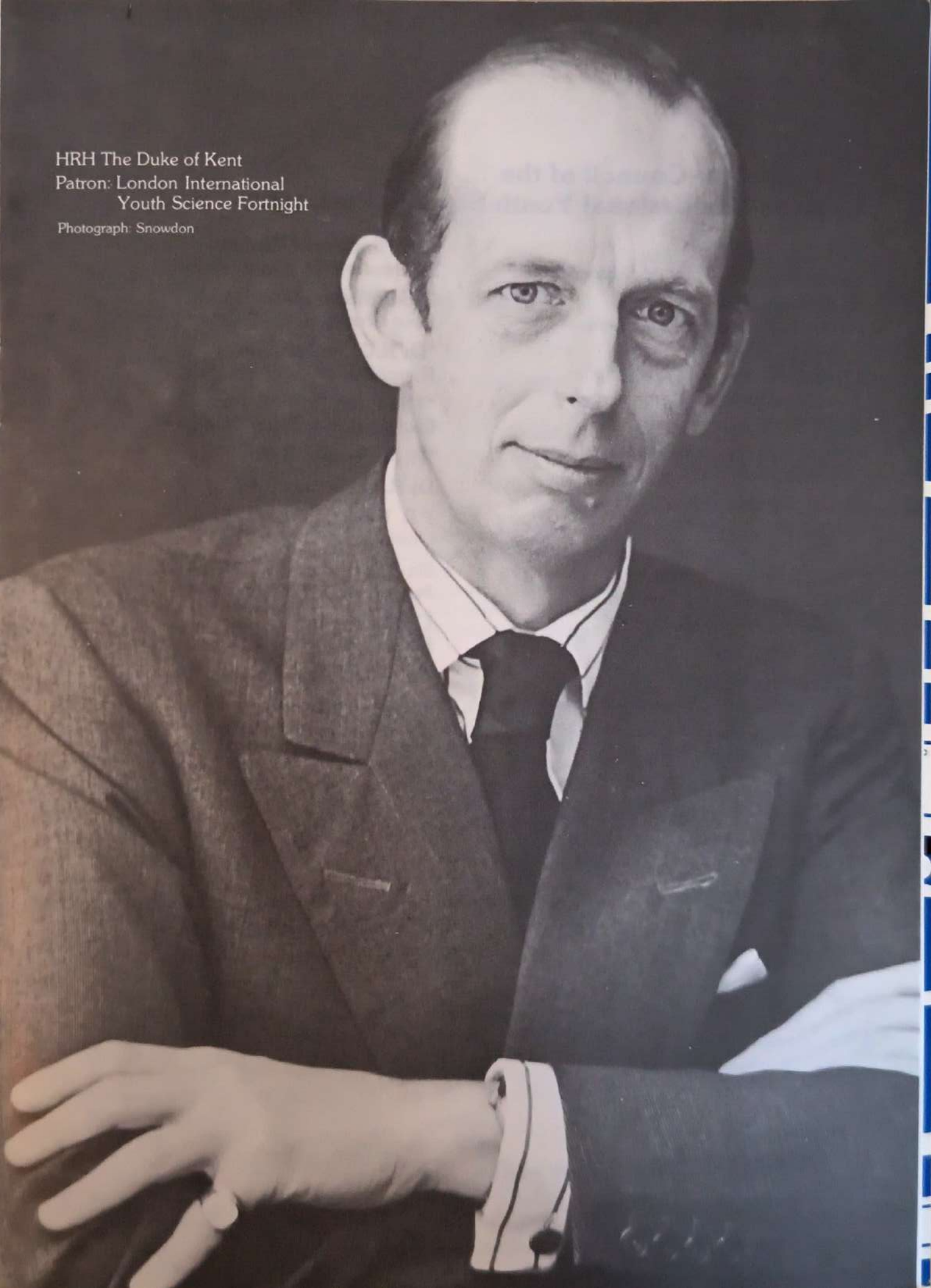
George McGowan

The aim of the Science Fortnight is to give a deeper insight into science and its applications for the benefit of mankind and to develop a greater understanding between young people of all nations.



HRH The Duke of Kent  
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THE PRIME MINISTER

Since the first London International Youth Science Fortnight in 1959 we have seen some extraordinary developments in science: integrated circuits on silicon, the understanding of the genetic code, carbon fibres, and astronomical observations in space. Many of these developments have already led to applications which have been of great benefit to mankind.

But the young people of today, far from just looking back at a great era in science, are all looking forward to even more exciting science, to further unravelling of the secrets of nature and to new applications which have hardly been dreamt of. There has never been a better time to start a scientific career: the scientific opportunities seem limitless, the techniques and instruments are astonishing in their power, and the world is more than ever looking to science to help improve the health, nourishment, economic well-being and quality of life for the people of our planet.

Science has always been international in its outlook and activities. Today the dynamism and growth of science owe much to international collaboration in experiments and to international meetings to discuss and debate the latest scientific results.

On behalf of Her Majesty's Government, I want to welcome you to London. I hope you have an exciting meeting and that you make friendships with young scientists which will not only enlarge and develop your interest in science but will also serve as an introduction to the international world of science.

Margaret Thatcher

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**Twenty Seventh  
London International Youth Science Fortnight  
25 July to 8 August, 1984**



*A Chinese proverb says that 'A hundred hearings cannot be compared with one seeing.' Perhaps its message would be as readily understood if we reversed it so that it read, 'A hundred seeings cannot be compared with one hearing.' Either way 'hearing' and 'seeing' are passive acts, and education throughout the world tends to be concentrated on imparting knowledge with too little chance to question and develop a true understanding.*

*The opportunities the Science Fortnight programme provides for its participants are therefore probably without precedent in their lives. Here there are chances to discuss, to debate, to question, to query and to argue not only with the speakers and those demonstrating their work, but also amongst those from other countries taking part. In short, the programme seeks the active involvement of the participants.*

*I hope that you will seize these opportunities, and I hope that you will see them also as your means to convey your thinking and aspirations, for it is by coupling the hundreds of 'hearings' which the Science Fortnight will bring you with your own 'seeing' of the views and reactions of others that you will gain most from the meeting.*

A handwritten signature in black ink, which appears to read "George McGowan". The signature is fluid and stylized, with a long horizontal line extending from the bottom of the name.

**George McGowan**  
Director  
London International Youth Science Fortnight

# DAILY PROGRAM

<b>Wednesday</b> 25 July	20.00	Arrivals Orientation & Briefing in Halls of Residence
<b>Thursday</b> 26 July	11.00 14.15 20.00	*Opening Ceremony *Lecture/Demonstration: 'Explosives' Welcome Disco at the Empire Rooms
<b>Friday</b> 27 July	20.00	Half Day Visits to Research and Industrial Establishments and to University Departments Students' Topics
<b>Saturday</b> 28 July	10.00  16.30	*Lecture: 'Cancer Medicine — the Reality Behind the Headlines' Optional Half Day Sightseeing Tour of London Inter Hall Swimming Gala at University of London Union Optional Theatre and Concert Visits
<b>Sunday</b> 29 July	09.00 20.00	Optional Day Excursion to Stratford upon Avon Feature Film
<b>Monday</b> 30 July	10.00 14.15 20.00	University Lectures *Question Time with Members of Parliament Students' Topics
<b>Tuesday</b> 31 July	20.00	Day Visits to Research & Industrial Establishments *Lecture: 'Processing Pictures with Computers'
<b>Wednesday</b> 1 August	10.00 14.15 20.00	Workshops *Lecture: 'Forecasting the World's Weather' Students' Topics

\*at the Institution of Electrical Engineers Savoy Place, London WC2



# PROGRAMME

<b>Thursday</b> <b>2 August</b>	08.00	Depart for Day visits to Cambridge & Oxford
	10.00	Visits to University Research Establishments
	12.45	Lunch at Downing College (Cambridge) St Catherine's College (Oxford)
	14.15	City and University College Tours
	20.00	Topics for Tonight
<b>Friday</b> <b>3 August</b>	10.00	Visits to Natural History and Science Museums at South Kensington
	20.00	International Evening at Manning Hall University of London Union
<b>Saturday</b> <b>4 August</b>	10.00	*Debate: 'The Nuclear Question'
	14.15	Inter-Hall Rounders in Regent's Park Optional Theatre and Concert Visits
<b>Sunday</b> <b>5 August</b>	09.00	Optional Day Excursion to Hampton Court Palace & Windsor Castle
	20.00	Feature Film
<b>Monday</b> <b>6 August</b>	10.00	*Participants' Forum I
	14.15	*Lecture/Demonstration 'Inswingers, Bananas & Splits: The Physics of Sport'
	20.00	Feedback: A critique of the Science Fortnight
<b>Tuesday</b> <b>7 August</b>	10.00	*Participants' Forum II
	14.15	*Closing Ceremony
	20.00	Farewell Disco at the Empire Rooms

With the exception of the Lecture on 31 July events taking place after 18.00 are optional.

## Speakers at the Institution of Electrical Engineers

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| <b>Thursday</b><br><b>26 July</b>   | 11.00 | Opening Ceremony<br>Speakers include:<br>The Rt Hon Dr David Owen, MP<br>Leader: Social Democratic Party<br>Dr Richard O'Kennedy, PhD<br>National Institute of Higher Education, Dublin                           |
|                                     | 14.15 | Lecture/Demonstration: ' <i>Explosives</i> '<br>Dr D.R. Marshall, BSc, PhD (St Andrews), DPhil (Oxon)<br>Department of Chemistry,<br>University College of North Wales  |
|                                     | 10.00 | Lecture: ' <i>Cancer Medicine —<br/>The Reality Behind The Headlines</i> '<br>Dr Robert Buckman, BA, MB, BChir, MRCP  |
| <b>Monday</b><br><b>30 July</b>     | 14.15 | Question Time with Members of Parliament<br>Andrew Bowden, MBE MP (Conservative)<br>W.E. Garrett, MP (Labour)<br>Stephen Ross, MP (Liberal)   |
| <b>Tuesday</b><br><b>31 July</b>    | 20.00 | Lecture: ' <i>Processing Pictures with Computers</i> '<br>Paul Redstone, MA<br>Consultant, Aerospace Group, Logica UK Ltd   |
| <b>Wednesday</b><br><b>1 August</b> | 14.15 | Lecture: ' <i>Forecasting the World's Weather</i> '<br>Sir John Mason, CB DSc FRS<br>Centre for Environmental Technology<br>Imperial College, London  |
| <b>Saturday</b><br><b>4 August</b>  | 10.00 | Debate: ' <i>The Nuclear Question</i> '<br>Chairman: The Revd Edwin A. Morris<br>Speakers include:<br>Professor John Beckman<br>Professor W.F. Gutteridge<br>Professor Sir Rudolf Peierls<br>Professor J. Rotblat |
| <b>Monday</b><br><b>6 August</b>    | 14.15 | Lecture/Demonstration: ' <i>Inswingers, Bananas &amp; Splits —<br/>The Physics of Sport</i> '<br>Dr Brian Delf<br>Department of Physics, University College Cardiff   |
|                                     | 10.00 | Participants' Forum I<br>Theme: ' <i>For What Use is Science if Mankind does not survive?</i> '   |
| <b>Tuesday</b><br><b>7 August</b>   | 10.00 | Participants' Forum II  |
|                                     | 14.15 | Closing Ceremony  |



## University Lectures

<b>Monday</b> <b>30 July</b>	10.00	Group 1	<i>'Achievements with Anti-matter'</i> R.E. Ansorge, MA PhD Cavendish Laboratory University of Cambridge
		Group 2	<i>'An Actuary's View of Financial Planning'</i> S. Haberman, MA PhD FIA Department of Mathematics The City University, London
		Group 3	<i>'The Chemistry of New Energy Sources — or when will it all run out?'</i> D.B. Hibbert, BSc PhD(London) C.Chem, MRSC Department of Chemistry Royal Holloway & Bedford Colleges
		Group 4	<i>'Breast Cancer — Prevention or Cure'</i> C. Wells MA MB BChir Department of Histopathology University of Oxford

## Workshops

Participants are allocated to workshops in accordance with their expressed scientific interests. A summary of each workshop will be supplied individually.

<b>Wednesday</b> <b>1 August</b>	10.00	Workshop A	<i>'Nuclear &amp; Renewable Energy Research in Britain'</i> H.A. Cole, CEng, MIERE
		Workshop B	<i>'Another Way of Applying Mathematics'</i> G.W. Goodall, BSc FSS
		Workshop C	<i>'Traditional medicine — is it worth studying?'</i> P.J. Hylands, PhD CChem MRSC
		Workshop D	<i>'Recent Concepts in the Treatment of Sports Injuries'</i> D.S. Muckle, MB BS(Dunelm) FRCS MS MD
		Workshop E	<i>'Food and Science and Nutrition — How the food industry makes the foods you like'</i> D.P. Richardson, BSc MSc PhD
		Workshop F	<i>'Aspects of Solar Energy Conversion'</i> A. Mills

## **Half Day Visits to Industrial & Research Establishments and to University Departments**

### **Friday, 27 July**

Chelsea College, London  
Department of Pharmacy

City University  
Department of Aeronautical Engineering

General Electric Company Ltd  
Hirst Research Centre

Institute of Cancer Research  
Chester Beatty Research Institute

Imperial College of Science & Technology  
Department of Chemical Engineering  
& Chemical Technology

King's College, London  
Department of Biological Sciences

National Institute for Medical Research  
Mill Hill

National Physical Laboratory  
Teddington

Royal Free Hospital  
Hampstead

Royal Naval College, Greenwich  
Department of Nuclear Science

J Sainsbury, plc  
Laboratories

St Thomas's Hospital  
Department of Clinical Chemistry

University College London  
Department of Electronic &  
Electrical Engineering

Zoological Society of London  
Institute of Zoology

## **Day Visits to Industrial and Research Establishments**

### **Tuesday, 31 July**

Atomic Energy Research Establishment  
Harwell

British Petroleum Company plc  
BP Research Centre,  
Sunbury on Thames

Brunel University, Uxbridge  
Computing Unit

Central Electricity Generating Board  
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## Visits to Cambridge and Oxford

**Thursday, 2 August**

### Cambridge

University of Cambridge  
University Chemical Laboratory  
University of Cambridge  
Department of Physics  
Mullard Radio Astronomy Observatory  
Downing College  
Afternoon tour of the City and Colleges

### Oxford

University of Oxford  
Medical School  
John Radcliffe Hospital  
Oxford  
St Catherine's College  
Afternoon tour of the City and Colleges

## Topics for Tonight

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| <b>Thursday<br/>2 August</b> | <b>20.00</b> | Astor College<br>'Will the decrease in fossil fuels cause deterioration of life on Earth as we know it?'<br>introduced by Philip Challis   |
|                              | <b>20.00</b> | College Hall<br>'Can we successfully tamper with nature — and should we?'<br>introduced by Colin Hardwick<br>'Computers Robotics and Automation — evils or necessities?'<br>introduced by John O'Dea |

## Social Programme

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| <b>Thursday<br/>23 July</b> | <b>20.00</b> | Welcome Disco<br>Empire Rooms, Tottenham Court Road, London WC1                 |
| <b>Friday<br/>3 August</b>  | <b>20.00</b> | International Evening<br>University of London Union<br>Malet Street, London WC1 |
| <b>Tuesday<br/>6 August</b> | <b>20.00</b> | Farewell Disco<br>Empire Rooms, Tottenham Court Road, London WC1                |

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### **INTERNATIONAL HALL** Brunswick Square London WC1

Host	Colin Hardwick
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# KEY TO MAP

- A Astor College
- B College Hall
- C International Hall
- D University of London Union
- E Empire Rooms
- F Bloomsbury Centre Hotel
- G St Pancras Station
- H Euston Station
- I Euston Square Station
- J Warren Street Station
- K Goodge Street Station
- L Tottenham Court Road Station
- M Russel Square Station



**TWENTY SEVENTH**  
**London International Youth Science Fortnight**  
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